

## Regular Board Meeting - Minutes

April 27, 2020

Minutes prepared by: Jennifer Whisnant

**Members present:** Susan Walker, Dana Goldfarb, Marty McCarthy, Joe Young, Jason Cole, William Hodges, Clifton Vann and Mike Ingram

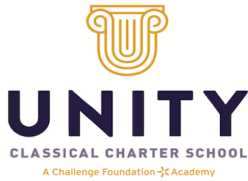
**Also present:** Sheila Goad, Erica Blackson, Alicia Hamp and Jennifer Whisnant  
Meeting was held via teleconference

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Susan Walker at 6:05 pm.
  - Next Meeting: May 18, 2020, 6:00 pm via teleconference.
  - Mission Statement was read by S. Walker.
  - M. McCarthy motioned to adopt agenda, seconded by C. Vann. Motion passed.
  - M. McCarthy motioned to accept the minutes from March meeting, seconded by C. Vann. Motion passed.
  
- II. **REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**
  - **Treasurer's Report by D. Goldfarb**
    - Update on the budget to date. Discussion followed.
    - Some areas of opportunity to look at and also some areas in budget to tweak for next year, such as money for substitute teachers.
    - Continuing to work on financing for new facilities.

S. Walker questioned M. Ingram if there was any chance of a reduction to payment since we are not utilizing the facilities. M. Ingram said make a proposal.

S. Goad to make proposal.

    - Auditor contract is up for renewal. Got proposals from 2 other auditors. Proposed switching to a different company for significant cost saving. J. Young recommended E. Blackson to contact current company to see if they could match the lower price. S. Walker agreed.
    - D. Goldfarb motioned to move forward with Les Merritt, subject to conversation with E. Blackson and subject to talking with Rieves and Associates to see if they could match the reduced price. J. Young seconded. Motion passed.
  - **Development Report by M. McCarthy**
    - M. McCarthy motioned to move into closed session at 6:16 pm. J. Young seconded. J. Young motioned to return to open session at 6:45 pm. C. Vann seconded. Open session resumed at 6:46 pm.
  
- III. **HEAD OF SCHOOLS REPORT by S. Goad**
  1. Governor has closed schools for the remainder of the year. We will be continuing with distance learning.



2. Grading. From the NCDPI elementary schools are to focus on feedback from time of initial COVID closure to EOY. No grades.
  - a. 2 new committees formed prior to Spring Break
    - i. Curriculum committee for distance learning
    - ii. SEL committee for our student needs
3. May 4th will be a virtual town hall meeting for all families to look at social emotional needs of students during this time.
4. A parent survey went out to get information for how it is going for our parents with distance learning. Discussion followed.
5. M. McCarthy asked S. Goad, “How many families are not participating?” S. Goad reported that we have only about five families that are not engaged.
6. Ongoing weekly meetings with grade level teams and whole team continue
7. Plans for BOY being developed with variable being what the state allows us to do and not to do.
8. Update on enrollment and marketing. Discussion followed.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

It was motioned by S. Walker and then seconded by M. McCarthy to adjourn at 7:05 pm. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.